

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

Bonduel, Wisconsin
September 22/23, 2018

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to the House of the Lord

Twelve disciples/apostles. Peter, James and John are often spoken of as Jesus' inner circle. Was there a pecking order with the apostles? Who was at the top? This is a question that apparently arose among the apostles. Our reading from James speaks of the conduct of wisdom and the opposing ways of the world. Jesus teaches his disciples, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." (*Mark 9:35*) As we gather for worship, we thank God that Jesus took the part of being "servant of all" as He humbled Himself, even unto death. Come! Let us worship Him!



Opening Hymn

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The Lord, My God, Be Praised

Confession and Absolution

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Psalmody – Psalm 54

O God, save me, by your name,

and vindicate me by your might.

O God, hear my prayer;

give ear to the words of my mouth.

For strangers have risen against me; ruthless men seek my life;

they do not set God before themselves.

Behold, God is my helper;

the Lord is the upholder of my life.

He will return the evil to my enemies;

in your faithfulness put an end to them.

With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you;

I will give thanks to your name, O LORD, for it is good.

Old Testament Reading — Jeremiah 11:18–20

The Lord made it known to me and I knew; then you showed me their deeds. ¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. I did not know it was against me they devised schemes, saying, “Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name be remembered no more.” ²⁰But, O Lord of hosts, who judges righteously, who tests the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading — James 3:13—4:10

Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. ¹⁵This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace. ^{4:1}What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. ⁴You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. ⁵Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? ⁶But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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*Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia.*

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the ninth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise.” ³²But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him. ³³And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” ³⁴But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” ³⁶And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

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Hymn

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One Thing's Needful

(1, 3–5)

Sermon

Offering *Please complete the friendship register found at the end of the pew.*

Litany of Prayers

Let us pray.

Dear gracious eternal God,

Hear our prayer as we gather before Your throne of grace.

For the gift of adoption into Your Family

We give You thanks.

For the redemption and forgiveness and gift of eternal life

We give you thanks and praise.

That all may be saved and come to the knowledge of Your love and grace towards us in Christ

We call upon You to be graciously working in our midst.

That we may be Your presence and proclaim Your goodness to our community
Place on our hearts those whom You would have us bring the message of Good News.

For our families, grandparents and parents and their children
Pour out Your Spirit.

Bless each of our homes
That they may be homes of Christian growth.

Bless our parents
As they share the wonderful Biblical stories of faith and encouragement.

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn **575** *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*



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Serving the Lord in Worship

Liturgy	Rev. Timothy J. Shoup	Sermon	Rev. Mark R. Palmer
Organists	Saturday – Ms. Rhoda Lehrke	Sunday – Mrs. Lorraine Doell	
Music	7:00pm – Philip, Paul, Steven, and Ronald Schmidt 8:00am – Grades 5 & 6 10:15am – Handbells Choir		
Acolytes	Race Anvelink	Alex Ard	Hailee Thompson

Prayers

In Need of Healing . . . *Lori Cathey, Shirley Kieckhafer, Lee Kohn, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Pearl Kyle, Audrey Moede, Don Mueller, Wally Mueller, Allen Radloff, Brittany Slack, Katie Titler, Larry Wilke, Roger Wood, Harland Zehren, and Rozanne Zernicke.*



Announcements

New Procedure for Submitting Bulletin Announcements . . . Starting October 1, if you wish to submit an announcement for the weekend worship service bulletin, fill out the form provided in the church office or submit the form provided online. The online form may be found on the [.com](#) website on the Bulletins-Sermons page found under the Resources tab. Thank you for helping streamline this process.

Attended/Communed – September 15/16, 2018

Saturday	9/15	7:00pm	62/ 54
Sunday	9/16	8:00am	180/150
Sunday	9/16	10:15am	<u>222/133</u>
Total			464/337

So They Set Their Hope in Him

3-year special offering

As of August 31, 2018

	Mortgage	School Repair	Missions	WRLHS	Total
Pledged	\$548,185	\$388,845	\$40,442	\$107,314	\$1,084,786
Received	\$337,213	\$214,811	\$20,602	\$57,351	\$629,977

We began giving in 2017, and our total is already \$629,977. We pledged to give over \$1,000,000 in three years above and beyond our regular offerings. Each of us designated our special offering to be applied to any or all of four areas:

- ❖ Our church/school mortgage
- ❖ Our school HVAC renovation
- ❖ Our three adopted missionaries
- ❖ Our area Lutheran High School, WRLHS

This summer, intense work began to dismantle, remove, and replace the 90-year-old school boiler system with a new heating and air-conditioning system. Generous bids and donated labor saved us thousands.

The HOPE that we have is different from all others. Our everyday use of the word *hope* refers to a desire for something little or large with no guaranteed outcome. The Bible uses the word *hope* differently. Our *hope* refers to a guaranteed receiving of a future reality. The reality is paradise. The guarantee is the cross of Christ and His empty tomb. Our receiving is through Baptism and the gift of faith. Our Hope is in Him.

Sunday School . . . Twenty-seven students attended last week's session! Sunday School is off to a great start! We have lots of students coming, but we want more of you to join us! We meet at 9:15am in the hallway by the Preschool and Kindergarten rooms. This weekend 3-year-olds through 3rd graders are learning how Jesus gave Himself for us. The 4th – 6th graders are celebrating their belief in Jesus. See you there!

55+ Group . . . will be taking a Senior Safari at the Navarino Nature Center. This is a trolley ride (no walking) through the wildlife area with a nature expert. This takes place Tuesday, September 25, at 1:30pm. Plan to be at St. Paul at 11:30am for lunch. BBQ sandwiches are being furnished. We need a couple people to volunteer to bring a vegetable plate or cookies. Call 715-758-8282 to sign up. There will be no potluck. The Nature Center fee will be \$4.

St. Paul Golf Outing . . . will take place on October 6. The format is a 4-person scramble. All proceeds will be used for the maintenance of the gym floor and new bleachers. Cost is \$60 which includes 18 holes of golf, cart, dinner, and \$15 donation. Dinner only is \$20. Hole sponsorships are available with 100% going towards the proceeds. See the office for details and entry form.

SPYRT Craft Sale . . . The SPYRT group will again be serving chili and hot ham and cheese sandwiches at its **CRAFT SALE on October 27, 2018**. In order to help defray the costs, they are asking for the following food donations:

4 (6 lbs., 9 oz.) cans of tomato SAUCE	4 (6 lbs., 9 oz.) cans of chili beans
2 gallons of 2% milk	12 (46 oz.) cans of tomato JUICE
1 gallon orange juice	2 gallons dill pickles
10# of individual sliced cheese	

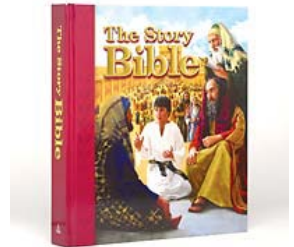
Monetary donations to help cover the cost of ham, buns, and donuts would also be greatly appreciated. All items are to be brought to St. Paul School no later than October 26. To donate items, please call Robin Reep at 758-2438 (home) or 758-8532 (school).

Our Church Worker Scholarship Committee . . . will be sponsoring a fundraiser at Culver's in Shawano on Wednesday, October 24. Culver's will donate 10% of that day's sales in support of students from our congregation who are preparing for full-time church work careers. **Customers will need to present a special "coupon" at the time of their purchase on October 24 in order for us to get this 10%.** We will make these "coupons" available in the church narthex and church/school office from October 21-24. You may take as many as you want to share with family and friends. Your support of this fundraiser is appreciated!



Bring it Home – Family Time with Great Bible Stories

Beginning in November, each week we will post five Bible Stories following the contents of *The Story Bible*, the children's Bible story book with the beautiful corresponding artwork. (This is the gift book we give to our congregation's 3-year olds each year.) We will also post the corresponding chapter and verses from the Bible.



The idea is that each week for thirty weeks, we will hear five Bible stories at home.

What Bible are we to use? Two options:

1. For little children ages 0-6, *The Story Bible* is our recommendation. They retail for \$30. They are on sale for \$22, including shipping. We have pre-ordered a couple stacks. You are welcome to pick one up for \$22. We are taking orders, as well.
2. You may use your own Bible. You may also order a Bible by signing up in the church entry.

Let's look forward to this 30-week time together with great Bible stories in our *Bring it Home* Bible reading program. Involve your children. Encourage others. Nancy and I are looking forward to it after our evening meal together.

"Faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the Word of Christ"

(Romans 10:17).

The Lutheran Hour . . . "Cut Off-for Us" (Mark 9:38–50)

Sin is serious because it cuts us off from God. Jesus was cut off from God in our place. Tune in next Sunday to hear guest speaker Dr. Lawrence Rast, Jr. at 7:30am on WTCH/960 AM, at 10:00am on WRVM/102.7 FM, or at lutheranhour.org.

No More Peek-a-boo Jesus! . . . On Saturday, September 29, Zion Lutheran Church in Embarrass will be hosting a one-day Bible seminar entitled, No More Peek-a-boo Jesus! Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Pulse (from Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne) will be the presenter, opening the Scriptures to those gathered that they might find Jesus everywhere in the Old Testament. Not only is Rev. Pulse knowledgeable in the Old Testament, his enthusiasm for the topic and winsome manner of presentation will make for an enjoyable day. Lunch will be provided. Register by calling 715–823–3889. More information may be found on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

WRLHS Red Barn Burger and Brat Fry . . . Wolf River Lutheran High School will host the Red Barn at Charlie's County Market in Shawano on Monday – Thursday, September 24–27. Come grab a bite and support the high school.

WRLHS Family Fun and Auction . . . The 9th Annual Family Fun and Auction will take place at WRLHS on Saturday, October 6, 2018. The 4-mile run/walk and the silent auction will start at 10:00am. Children's games and lunch will start at 11:00am. Lunch will consist of hamburgers, three types of soup, dessert, and beverage costing \$8 for adults and \$5 for children 5-12. The silent auction will end at 1:00pm at the same time that the live auction will begin. There are sign-up sheets in the narthex for pies, tortes, and bars. Auction items for both the silent and live auctions are desperately needed. Those wishing to donate items should contact Joan Genke at 715–851–2741. Let's make this event another successful fundraiser.

Potato Pancake Dinner . . . will be held **today** Sunday, September 23, from 9:30am – 12:30pm, at St. Jakobi Lutheran Church, 5 miles west of Shawano on Cty. A. Menu is all-you-can-eat, and takeouts are available. Cost: Adults \$9.00, children ages 6–12 \$5.00, and ages 5 and under are free.

Family Style Potato Pancake Dinner . . . will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church-White Clay Lake, on Sunday, October 14. The church service will be held at 8:30am, and dinner will be served from 10:00am – 1:30pm. Menu: all-you-can-eat family style potato pancakes with real maple syrup, chicken soup, wieners, applesauce, cheese, pies, cakes, milk, and coffee. Tickets are \$9 for adults, \$5 for children 6-12, and free for children 5 and under. The LWML will also be having a fall bazaar and bake sale.

NWD Adult Gathering . . . will be held on Tuesday, October 30 at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Weston from 10:00am–2:30pm with registration beginning at 9:30am. Rev. Dr. Dean W. Nadasdy, former president of the Minnesota South District, will share *A Blessed Life: A Fresh Look at the Beatitudes*. The cost is \$20, which includes the program, breaks, and lunch. Visit nwdlcms.org for more information or to register. Participants are encouraged to bring their Bibles.

A Stepping On Workshop . . . will be held here at St. Paul for two hours a week for seven weeks, October 4 – November 15. Some topics covered include; simple and fun balance and strength training, the role vision plays in keeping your balance, how medication can contribute to falls, and ways to stay safe. To register, contact Heidi Russell at russell@co.shawano.wi.us or 715–526–4686. More information may be found on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

Camp Luther News . . . Winter Youth Retreats

Winter is coming – are you ready? Camp Luther is giving new meaning to the phrases "Big Chill", "Deep Freeze", and "Sub Zero". No longer are they reasons to shudder! Camp has three different weekend retreats for both middle schoolers and high schoolers. To learn more and to register, visit Camp's website, campluther.com/adultfamily.

Acolyte Schedule Next Week

September 29 Kendall Wilcox
September 30 Hailey Zernicke
Owen Springborn

SCRIP Schedule Next Week

September 29 Sandy Staszak
September 30 Karla Moede
Pam Schmidt

EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- Sunday 9/23** 8:00am Worship
9:00am Fellowship (Board of Parish Fellowship #1)
9:00am Sunday School
9:15am Bible Study
10:15am Worship
- Monday 9/24** Fall Pastoral Conference in Eau Claire
7:30am Strong Bones
6:00pm Board of Christian Education
6:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Tuesday 9/25** Fall Pastoral Conference in Eau Claire
7:00am Bible Study
8:00am **No Quilting**
12:00pm 55+ Group
- Wednesday 9/26** Fall Pastoral Conference in Eau Claire
7:30am See You at the Pole (BHS)
1:30pm Meadowview
5:00pm Public School Confirmation
6:00pm Bell Choir
6:30pm Feed the Flock Youth Shepherd Training
7:05pm Choir
- Thursday 9/27** 2:00pm Women's Bible Study
- Friday 9/28** 7:30am Strong Bones
- Saturday 9/29** 7:00pm Worship
- Sunday 9/30** 8:00am Worship (Choir sings)
9:00am Fellowship (PTL)
9:00am Sunday School
9:15am Bible Study
10:15am Worship (Grades 1 & 2 sing)



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